

Ujeni Grants for Advancing Public Education at the Community Foundation of Tompkins County

Ujeni Fund is a part of the Community Foundation of Tompkins County. The goal is to help local school districts with innovative opportunities to promote further learning on the part of area students.

We aim to give students a wide variety of real-world experiences, allowing them to make connections between the importance of learning and being successful in today's society.

Please check out the website for more information on how to apply..

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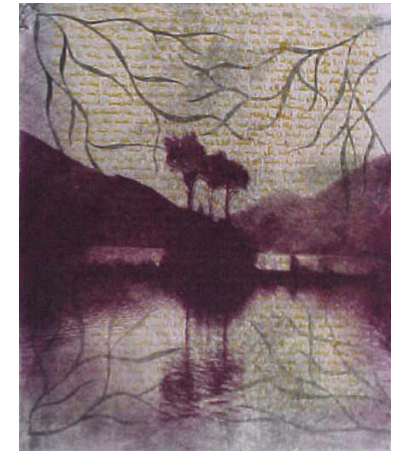
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Grants for Advancing Public Education

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Enhancing public education with real-world experiences

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The Fund

The Ujeni Fund is interested in assisting public schools in making a greater impact on student learning and providing more opportunities for students to achieve in and out of school.

The Fund is providing three types of grants:

1. The Teacher Classroom Grant: (up to \$1,000) Can be used to make improvements in classroom instruction. For elementary teachers, Pre-K through 3rd, a literacy component must be included.
2. The Teacher Group Grant: (up to \$2,500) Can be utilized by a team of teachers/ staff members for creative activities that engage students into multidisciplinary/ interdepartmental learning experiences.
3. The Large Project Grant: (up to \$10,000) Is for projects that draw students from across classrooms, departments, or schools within a district.

Deadline:

August 1st and February 1st of each academic school year.



The Elementary Marching Band at the Tulip Time Festival and Kinder Parade in Holland, Michigan

Eligibility:

Members of the faculty and staff at South Seneca School District, Trumansburg Central School District and the T-S-T BOCES schools may apply for grants.

Proposals:

The Ujeni Fund is looking for novel, innovative, and creative projects. The Fund is not intended to be a replacement for district funds. Proposals should request funds that are above and beyond the school district's budget.

2006-2007 Awards:

- Printmaking Presentation and Workshop for students to work with a professional printmaker and printmaking shop on a process called Gum Transfer printing.
- The creation of a new peer-selected book collection for the school library. Students went through the book selection process and were given a voice for what they are interested in reading in the library.
- An elementary school band was given the opportunity to perform in a huge parade and attend music clinicals with students from another school.
- Students studied the concept of race through a variety of perspectives with



Choral group performing concert piece



Students working on Gum Transfer process at the Ink Shop

lots of hands-on learning and scientific reasoning.

- Choral group worked with professional composer to create a piece of music and performed it at the Spring Concert

- Middle school students experienced diversity issues with a multicultural ballet troupe and use art as an outlet to discuss important social issues.
- Staff created a Sensory Suite at the elementary level to help students with autism work on skills and tools for learning.
- *Who Gets a Piece of the American Pie?* A look at inequalities and human rights violations through guest speakers and a community project created by the students.



Workshop by Roxey Ballet on Bullying

Email <grants@ujeni.com> for inquiries and for assistance in the grant-writing process.

Look to the website www.ujeni.com for samples of past successful proposals.

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